

THE SUMMER TIMES

THE ATONEMENT ACADEMY

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School Starts This Week!

A great deal of work has been taking place over the summer to welcome your children to the 2009-2010 academic year! Teachers began in-service on August 3, and there is a great deal of excitement as they plan for the beginning of a new school year. We hope your summer has been restful and filled with many blessings for your family. This bulletin has a great deal of information about the upcoming week, but if you have questions not answered here, please send your concern to info@atonementonline.com.

First Day is August 13: On the first day of classes, and on that day only, parents who wish to do so may walk their children to the classrooms. Teachers will not be available for conversation at this time, as they will be looking after children. When the time comes for instruction to begin, parents will be invited to the St. Anthony Hall for coffee. After the first day, parents are asked to leave their children either at the car line drop-off point, or just inside the school doors. Students should be in proper uniform, including hair cuts. Students should have their backpacks (which, in the case of middle and upper scholars, must fit in the locker). Students should have their books. Students should have their athletics uniforms. Students should be ready to work, beginning on the first day. If school lunch has not been ordered, students should bring a lunch.

School Hours:

- PreK and K:** 8:00 am to 3:15 pm
- First through fifth grades:** 7:45 am to 3:30 pm
- Middle and upper school:** 7:30 am to 3:00 pm (9th period dismissal) or 3:55 pm (10th period dismissal)

The earliest drop off time is 6:30 am. The latest pick up time is 6:00 pm. (Before/After School Care charges apply.)

Car Line :

There are only three ways for students to arrive at, or depart from, school:

- (1) Drop off or pick up in car line at the curb in front of the school entrance.
- (2) Park in the parking lot north of the school and walk your child to the school.
- (3) For upper scholars who drive: park in the north parking lot and walk, with any younger siblings, to the school.

For safety reasons, do not drop unattended children in the north parking lot, or anywhere other than car line. When using car line, please follow the directions of our staff. Please pull forward so that five or six cars can load or unload at the same time. Please wait your turn, and please expect that **car line will go slowly during the first several days** as new people learn the routine; after that, things will flow smoothly. For the safety of all our students, please be patient and do not circumvent the system.

IMPORTANT DATES

- August 10: New Parent Orientation, 7-8 pm
- August 11: Parent Night for the Lower School
- August 12: Parent Night for the Middle and Upper Schools
- August 13: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
- August 14: Evensong & Benediction, 2:15 pm
- August 22: Upper School Gym Night, 6-9 pm. For upper scholars only.
- August 28: Upper School Tea, 2 pm. John Paul II Library



TEXTBOOK NEWS FROM SISTER MARY MARGARET

Students should bring all books from the required book list on the first day. Our teachers will be checking to see that all students have the required materials for class, following the same protocols in place for the required uniform.

Please double-check your list. If you still need to order a book on-line, be sure to choose the 2 day shipping option. Ground delivery will not arrive in time for school!

There exist numerous situations such as seasonal coloring books for PreK and K, backordered books, and the like. We of course are aware of these exceptions and special circumstances.

If you still have questions, feel free to contact Sister Mary Margaret via e-mail (sistermm@atonementonline.com)

CALENDAR INFORMATION

The school calendar information is posted on http://www.atonementonline.com/school/page.php?p=p_calendar

In addition, page three of this bulletin includes a “Year at a Glance” for your convenience and is easily printed for posting on your family bulletin board.

Health Concerns

As last school year ended, our school personnel were on alert in response to the danger of flu epidemic. As this year begins, our extra attentiveness will continue. Teachers will provide age-appropriate encouragement in hygiene practices. Parents should do the same. Students exhibiting flu-like symptoms will be referred to the school's health coordinator and will, if circumstances warrant, be sent home from school. For students who are sent home with flu-like symptoms, we may require a physician's written clearance to return to school. We may implement other precautions as conditions warrant or as public health authorities advise.

Back to School Nights at The Atonement Academy

Monday, 8/10 at 7 pm: Newcomers' Orientation

For families new to the school this year, we have a brief orientation program which will be presented in the St. Anthony Hall.

Tuesday, 8/11 at 7 pm: PreK through Grade 5

The Lower School classrooms will be open, and the teachers will be available to greet you. There will not be a general program this evening, as experience shows that parents' main interest is in meeting the teachers.

Wednesday, 8/12 at 7 pm: Grades 6-12

The Middle and Upper School classrooms will be open, and the teachers will be available to greet you. There will not be a general program on this evening.

Note:

Class schedules for students in the Middle and Upper School will be available for pickup all three evenings.



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First Day of School: August 13
Last Day of School: June 3

School Holidays

Note: Sept. 18 & Feb. 12 are
 Parent-Teacher Conferences (No Classes)

Early Dismissal Days

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Sept. 26: Family Bingo Night, 7 pm
 Sept. 29: Parental Formation Night, 7 pm
 Oct. 3: Gala & Auction, 6:30 pm
 Nov. 21: King's Fair, after 10 am Mass
 Dec. 10: Las Posadas, 7 pm
 Jan. 31: Open House, Following 11:00 Mass
 Feb. 5: Rodeo-Theme Bingo Night, 6 pm
 Feb. 16: Mardi Gras Wine Dinner
 April 16: International Festival, 6 pm
 April 30: Video Festival, 7 pm

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GRADING PERIODS

1st Quarter: Aug. 13 – Oct. 9
 2nd Quarter: Oct. 12- Dec. 23
 3rd Quarter: Jan. 4- Mar. 12
 4th Quarter: Mar 15 – June 3

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CONCERTS

Dec. 14: Christmas Concert, Gr. 3-12 , 7 pm
 Dec. 17: Christmas Program, PreK & K, 2pm
 Dec. 18: Christmas Program, Gr. 1 & 2, 2 pm
 May 14: Spring Concert Gr. 3-5, 7 pm
 May 21: Spring Concert, Gr. 6-12, 7 pm
 May 28: Spring Concert, PreK & K, 2 pm
 June 1: Spring Concert , Gr. 1 & 2, 2 pm

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YEAR –END ACTIVITIES

May 28: Kinder Picnic & Graduation, 3 pm
 June 2: Field Day, Lower & Middle School
 June 3: Senior Baccalaureate Mass & Dinner
 June 4: Senior Commencement, 6 pm
 June 5: 8th Gr. Mass & Commencement, 10 am
 June 8: Gym Day, Upper School, 1 pm
 June 9: Family Textbook Swap / Sale

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The Atonement Academy

Grades PreK through 12

Daily School Mass 9:15 am
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OUR MISSION

*At the Atonement Academy,
 we strive for excellence
 in the physical, the intellectual,
 and the spiritual virtues
 through a challenging course
 of classical and Catholic education.*